

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2836 – HB 3365

March 14, 2012

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014199): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Creates the Class A misdemeanor offense of knowingly preventing an individual from placing a telephone call to 911 or from requesting assistance in an emergency from law enforcement, a medical facility, or other safety entity. Creates the Class A misdemeanor offense of intentionally, rather than recklessly, rendering unusable a telephone that would otherwise be used by an individual to place such an emergency telephone call. Removes the Class E felony for second and subsequent offenses.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$5,700/Incarceration*

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- According to the Tennessee Emergency Communications Board, the Board will have no role in enforcement or prosecution of this bill.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

**Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.*

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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